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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	
PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF ACTUAL INFRINGEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 AND M.P.E.P. 708.02(II)	Atty. Docket No. (Opt.) CROSS1120-13
Applicant Geoffrey B. Hoese, et al.	
Application Number 10/658,163	Filed September 9, 2003
For Storage Router and Method for Providing Virtual Local Storage	
Group Art Unit Unknown	Examiner Unknown
Confirmation Number: Unknown	

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**Via Facsimile (703) 306-5404 and
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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

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Applicants submit this Petition to the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 and M.P.E.P. 708.02(II) to make special and advance the examination of the above-identified application because of actual infringement. Applicants submit that this Petition meets all of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 and M.P.E.P. 708.02(II) for a grantable petition.

This petition is accompanied by a Declaration by Robert Griswold in Support of the Petition to Make Special Because of Actual Infringement. If a further showing in support of this Petition is deemed necessary, Applicants invite the Examiner to call the undersigned to obtain the required showing.

Applicants hereby file this petition to make special and request that this petition be granted and that the application be allowed.

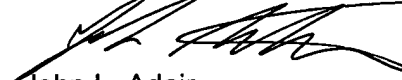
Applicants point out that the references which are believed to be the most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims are already of record in the parent applications.

Authorization is hereby given to deduct \$130.00 from Deposit Account No. 50-0456 of Gray Cary Ware & Freidenrich LLP representing the filing fee for this petition to make special because of actual infringement, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h). While no other fees are believed due, authorization is given to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments in connection with this petition to Deposit Account No. 50-0456.

In view of this petition, in the event that there remain matters to be resolved in this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned so that a prompt disposition of the application can be achieved.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: November 21, 2003

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